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SUBJECT: ROK DELEGATION TO IPU CONFERENCE

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BEGIN SUMMARY. ROK WILL SEND A LARGE DELEGATION TO IPU CONFERENCE AND IS HOPING NORTH KOREAN BID TO PARTICIPATE WILL BE REJECTED. END SUMMARY.

1. ROK WILL SEND LARGER THAN USUAL DELEGATION TO ABIDJAN IPU CONFERENCE. DELEGATION OF EIGHT NATIONAL ASSEMBLY MEMBERS WILL BE LED BY FOREIGN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN PAK CHUN- KYU AND WILL INCLUDE KIM MYONG- HOE, KANG MUN- PONG, MUN TAE- CHUN AND MIN PYONG- KI OF GOVERNMENT PARTY AND CHONG IL- HYONG, KIM HYONG- IL AND YI CHUNG- HWAN OF OPPOSITION.

2. PAK CHUN- KYU, CHONG IL- HYONG, AND KIM HYONG- IL ATTENDED LAST YEAR' S ROME CONFERENCE. BIO DATA FOLLOWS BY AIRGRAM.

3. MOFA INFORMS US THAT ROK DELGATION WILL BE REQUESTING HELP OF US DELEGATION IN ATTEMPT TO GET IPU TO REJECT NORTH KOREAN APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP. AS REFTEL (B) REPORTED, ROK OFFICIALS ARE CONCERNED OVER THE POSSIBILITY THAT NORTH KOREA WILL BE ADMITTED IPU OR AT LEAST BE GRANTED OBSERVER STATUS AT THE CONFERENCE .

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4. CHONG IL- HYONG HAS TOLD US THAT HE AND SEVERAL OTHER MEMBERS OF DELEGATION WILL VISIT KUALA LUMPUR, JAKARTA, NEW DELHI, CAIRO AND ROME ON THE WAY TO THE IPU CONFERENCE TO SOLICIT SUPPORT FOR THE ROK ON THE KOREAN QUESTION AT THE UN.
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